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To Whom It May Concern,

I am in favor of the proposed Sirius-XM merger and urge its rapid approval.

I became a satellite-radio subscriber in January 2006. That was a direct result of actions to limit free speech on government-regulated airwaves: FCC rulings and Congressional decisions have censored certain types of programming and effectively banned particular personalities. In my view, the type of radio I once heard for FREE has survived on satellite and can benefit from a proposed merger.

Despite the NAB's concerns, my radio choices (outside free-speech concerns) abound as at no previous time. In my home, I can listen to: 1. satellite radio, 2. cable-television-broadcast radio, 3. internet radio and 4. regular AM/FM radio. I also have an iPod as a programming pick. A satellite-radio merger will hardly crimp my general-consumer options unduly.

I certainly support choice, and two (or more) satellite radio companies would be ideal, in theory. But then more cable TV providers would be great, too, and the FCC and Congress aren't abetting competition in that paid-sector either.

Economic viability is the linchpin of the marketplace. It's my belief that a merger provides Sirius and XM with the long-term financial guarantees for diverse radio offerings.

Thank you!

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